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By the King,

A PROCLAMATION.

GEORGE R.

WHereas by an Act passed this present Sessions of Parliament, intituled, An Act for the more effectual securing and encouraging the Trade of his Majesty's British Subjects to America, and for the Encouragement of Seamen to enter into his Majesty's Service; it is, among other Things enacted, for the encouraging his Majesty's Subjects to engage in joint and united, as well as separate Expences, Expeditions, and Adventures, That We, our Heirs and Successors, be impowered, from time to time, during the Continuance of the present or any future War, to grant Charters or Commissions for the more effectual enabling any Societies, or particular Persons to join in Expeditions by Sea or Land, and to sail to, and in any of the Seas in America, for the attacking, taking, or destroying any Ships, Goods, Moveables or Immoveables, Settlements, Factories, Creeks, Harbours, Places of Strength, Lands, Forts, Castles, and Fortifications, now belonging, or hereafter to belong to, or to be possess'd by any Enemy, in any Part or Parts of America; and for the better making and carrying on any Preparations for such Purposes, and for the making and assuring to the Societies or Persons concerned, their Heirs, Successors, Executors, Administrators, and Assigns, full and undoubted Properties, Rights, and Titles, in and to the same, which such Societies or Persons shall take, or cause to be taken from the Enemy, under such Regulations, and in such Manner and Form, as We, our Heirs and Successors, shall think fit, and at any Times hereafter, by any further Grants or Charters to confirm, and further assure the Premisses to them, so as to enable them to have and enjoy the full Benefit thereof, but so, as that nothing therein contained shall extend to exclude or restrain any of our Subjects from having a full and free Trade to and in any Part of America: And whereas we are desirous, that none of our loving Subjects should be ignorant of the said Encouragement, We have thought fit, with the Advice of our Privy Council, to publish the same, by this our Royal Proclamation, to the End that all Officers, Seamen, Marines, Soldiers, and others our Subjects, may be fully informed of the Benefit thereby intended for such of them, as shall be willing to assist by their Endeavours in the vigorous Prosecution of the War, and the Annoyance of the Enemy.

Given at our Court at St. James's the Ninth Day of April, 1740, in the Thirteenth Year of our Reign.

God save the King.

Copenhagen, March 29. Their Danish Majesties intend, about the Beginning of May, to take a Journey into Holstein; whereupon Orders are given, and Preparations actually making for it. The Prince Royal, who is to be confirmed, and to receive the Communion this Easter, goes along with their Majesties. It is thought they will be frequently moving from one Place to another, reviewing the Troops, especially the new establish'd Militia, and surveying the Works at Gluckstadt. If their Majesties stay long in any Place, it will be at Gottorp and at Altena, where it is expected the Margrave of Bareith and the Princess of Oostfrise will come to visit them: Yet probably the whole Time of their Absence from hence will not exceed six Weeks or two Months at the most.

Dublin, March 31.

The Publick Acts to which his Grace the Lord Lieutenant gave this Day the Royal Assent, are,

An Act for continuing and amending several Laws heretofore made relating to his Majesty's Revenue, and the more effectual preventing Frauds in his Majesty's Customs and Excise.

An Act for continuing several Temporary Statutes.

An Act to continue and amend an Act made in the ninth Year of the Reign of his present Majesty, intitled, An Act for the better regulating of Juries.

An Act to explain, amend, and make more effectual an Act passed in the seventh Year of the Reign of his late Majesty King William the Third, of glorious Memory, intitled, An Act for the better securing the Government by disarming Papists.

An Act for allowing farther Time to Persons in Offices or Employments to qualify themselves, pursuant to an Act, intitled, An Act to prevent the farther Growth of Popery.

An Act for the more effectual preventing of excessive and deceitful Gaming.

An Act for explaining and amending an Act for the Relief of Mortgagees, and for the perpetuating the Testimony of Witnesses in Suits in Equity; and for impowering the Dean and

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Chapter of the Holy Trinity or Chriſt Church, Dublin, to grant to his Majeſty for any Term of Years the Rooms over the Room commonly called the Exchequer Chamber, and other Rooms therein mentioned; and for amending a Miſnomer in an Act to enable Charles Coote, Eſq; to raiſe Portions for younger Children.

An Act to explain and amend an Act paſſed in the ſixth Year of the Reign of his late Majeſty King George the Firſt, intitled, An Act for the better regulating the Pariſh Watches; and amending the Highways in this Kingdom; and for preventing the Miſapplication of publick Money.

An Act for the further Improvement of the Hempen and Flaxen Manufactures of this Kingdom.

An Act for continuing and amending the Laws now in Force in Relation to Butter and Tallow, and the Casks in which ſuch Goods are to be made up, and for the curing of Hydes, and making up Beef and Pork for Exportation, and for preventing the Deſtruction of Salmon.

Whitehall, April 12.

His Majeſty has been pleaſed to grant to George Speke, Eſq; the Office or Place of Comptroller of the Duties of Exciſe and new Impoſts, within England, Wales, and the Town of Berwick upon Tweed.

His Majeſty has been pleaſed to appoint John Tinker, Eſq; to be Governor of the Bahama Iſlands in America, in the room of Richard Fitzwilliams; and alſo to be Captain of the Independent Company in the Iſland of Providence in America.

Whitehall, April 3, 1740.

Whereas it has been found by the Coroner's Inqueſt, held Yeſterday on the Body of Benjamin Bothomley, late of the Pariſh of St. George, Hanover Square, in the County of Middleſex, Hatter, upon the Oaths of two Surgeons, who opened his Body, that the ſaid Benjamin Bothomley was firſt murthered, and then thrown into the River Thames: His Majeſty, for the better Diſcovering and bringing to Juſtice the Perſons concerned in the ſaid Murder, is pleaſed to promiſe his moſt gracious Pardon to any one of them, who ſhall diſcover his Accomplice or Accomplices, (except the Perſon who actually committed the ſame) ſo as he, ſhe, or they, may be apprehended and convicted thereof.

HARRINGTON.

And as a further Encouragement, Elizabeth Bothomley, Widow of the Deceaſed, does hereby promiſe a Reward of Fifty Guineas to any Perſon who ſhall make a Diſcovery of ſuch Offender or Offenders; to be paid on the Conviction of any or either of them, at her Dwelling Houſe near St. George's Church, Hanover Square.

Eliz. Bothomley.

Whitehall, April 4, 1740.

Whereas Mr. John Thorne, of Honiton, in the County of Devon, about two Years ſince, having put in Repair (and fit to receive a Tenant) a good Dwelling Houſe, lying in the Pariſh of Monketon, about two Miles and half from Honiton aforeſaid, the ſaid Dwelling Houſe was ſoon after, in the Night Time, by ſome wicked Perſon or Perſons unknown, privately and maliciouſly ſet on Fire, which entirely conſumed the ſame: And whereas the ſaid John Thorne having Forty Acres of Ground, belonging to the ſaid Houſe, and not being able to lett the ſame to a Tenant without a Houſe, he found himſelf obliged to rebuild the ſame, and the ſame being near finiſhed, and lett to a Tenant, with the ſaid Ground, for a Term of Five Years, from the Five and Twentieth Day of March laſt, the Tenant brought his Houſhold Goods in a Waggon, into the Courtlage of the ſaid Houſe the ſame Day, and carried ſome of the Goods into the ſaid Houſe, and the Reſt he left in the Waggon, and in the Night of the ſame Day, the ſaid Houſe was again privately and maliciouſly ſet on Fire and burnt to the Ground, with the ſaid Goods: His Majeſty for the better Diſcovery of the Perſon or Perſons concerned in thoſe wicked Acts, is pleaſed to promiſe his moſt gracious Pardon to any of them who ſhall impeach or diſcover his Accomplice or Accomplices, ſo as he, ſhe or they may be apprehended and convicted thereof.

HARRINGTON.

And as a further Encouragement, the ſaid Mr. Thorne will give Ten Guineas to any one of the Accomplices, or any other Perſon or Perſons who ſhall make the Diſcovery abovementioned, ſo as any one or more of the Perſons concerned may be apprehended and convicted thereof.

John Thorne.

General Poſt Office, March 14, 1739.

Whereas the Poſt-Boy, who was carrying the Worceſter Mail from London to Southall, was ſet upon this Morning about Four of the Clock, between Audley-ſtreet End and Tyburn Turnpike, by Two Footpads, one of which was a luſty Man, in a white Cape Coat, who preſented a Piſtol to the ſaid Boy, and demanding the Oxford Bag, led him into a Field againſt Audley-ſtreet End, opened the Mail, and took thereout the Worceſter and Oxford Bags; the Worceſter Bag containing the Ludlow, Tenbury, and Bromyard Letters; the Oxford Bag containing the Burford, Whitney, and Woodſtock Letters.

The Poſtmaſter General thinks proper to advertiſe the Publick, that whoever ſhall apprehend and convict, or cauſe to be apprehended and convicted, both or either of the Perſons who committed the ſaid Robbery, will be intituled to a Reward of 200 *l. beſides the Reward given by Act of Parliament for apprehending of Highwaymen. Or if any Perſon, whether Accomplice in the ſaid Robbery, or knowing thereof, ſhall make Diſcovery whereby the Perſons, or either of them who committed the ſame, may be apprehended and brought to Juſtice, ſuch Diſcoverer will, upon Conviction of the Party or Parties, be intituled to the ſame Reward, and alſo have his Majeſty's moſt gracious Pardon.*

By Command of the Poſtmaſter General.

J. D. Barbutt, *Secretary.*

General Poſt-Office, April 2, 1740.

Whereas the Poſt-Boy carrying the Briſtol Mail from London to Hounſlow, was attacked and ſet upon between Three and Four a Clock this Morning, a little beyond Knightsbridge, by a ſingle Perſon on Foot, of a dark Complexion, and a middle Stature, having on a light-colour'd Horſeman's Coat with the Cape button'd up, who led him into an adjacent Field, and there took from him the Bath and Briſtol Bags, put them into a Green Bag, and rode off with them towards London on the Horſe that carried the ſaid Mail.

The Poſtmaſter General thinks proper to advertiſe the Publick, that whoever ſhall apprehend and convict, or cauſe to be apprehended and convicted, the Perſon who committed this Robbery, will be intituled to a Reward of Two Hundred Pounds, beſides the Reward given by Act of Parliament for apprehending of Highwaymen; or if any Perſon, whether Accomplice in the ſaid Robbery, or knowing thereof, ſhall make a Diſcovery whereby the Perſon who committed the ſame may be apprehended and brought

brought to Juſtice, ſuch Diſcoverer will, upon Conviction of the Party, be intituled to the ſame Reward, and alſo have his Majeſty's moſt gracious Pardon.

By Command of the Poſtmaſter General.
J. D. Barbutt, *Secretary.*

General Poſt Office, London, April 4, 1740.

Whereas the Poſt-Boy carrying the Weſtern and Portſmouth Mails from Bagſhott to London, was ſet upon and attacked, about One of the Clock this Morning, in the hollow Way coming from Bagſhott, by two Highwaymen, who appeared to be luſty jolly Men, in Great Coats, of a whitiſh Colour, with the Capes buttoned up, and light colour'd Wiggs, one of them mounted on a black Horſe with a white Snip down his Face, and the other either on a dark Cheſnut, or a brown Bay, and who ſtopping the ſaid Boy, ordered him to diſmount, and threatned to ſhoot him, if he made the leaſt Noiſe or Reſiſtance, then tied his Hands and Feet, and rode off with the Horſes and Mails.

The Poſtmaſter General thinks proper to advertiſe the Publick, that whoever ſhall apprehend and convict, or cauſe to be apprehended and convicted both or either of the Perſons who committed this Robbery, will be entituled to a Reward of Two Hundred Pounds, beſides the Reward given by Act of Parliament for apprehending of Highwaymen. Or if any Perſon, whether Accomplice in the ſaid Robbery, or knowing therof, ſhall make a Diſcovery whereby the Perſons, or either of them who committed the ſame may be apprehended and brought to Juſtice, ſuch Diſcoverer, upon Conviction of the Party or Parties, will be intituled to the ſame Reward, and alſo have his Majeſty's moſt gracious Pardon.

By Command of the Poſtmaſter General.
J. D. Barbutt, *Secretary.*

Wine Licence Office, April 10, 1740.

His Majeſty's Commiſſioners for managing the Revenue ariſing by Wine Licences, give Notice, That conſtant Attendance is given at their Office in Arundel Street in the Strand, for Diſpatch of the Buſineſs thereof, on Tueſdays, Wedneſdays, Thurſdays and Fridays in the Forenoon, Holidays excepted.

Advertiſements.

NOtice is hereby given, (purſuant to an Act of Parliament made in the Eighth Year of the Reign of his preſent Majeſty King George, entitled, An Act for the Amendment of the Law relating to Actions on the Statute of Hue and Cry) That Ralph Headington, of North Stoak in the County of Oxon, Farmer, on Saturday the 29th of March laſt, between the Hours of Three and Four of the Clock in the Afternoon, was met and robbed in the Road leading from Caverſham to Wallingford, in the Pariſh of South Stoak near Exler-ſtreet, in the ſaid County, as he was walking on Foot behind his Waggon from Reading Market, by two Men, one of them a tall black Man with long black Sprig Hair, mounted on a Bay Horſe; the other a round faced Man with an Aſh Colour cloſe bodied Cape Coat and a light Wigg, mounted on a Horſe between a Bay and a Dun Colour: Which Perſons ſo mounted put the ſaid Ralph Headington in Fear, and feloniouſly and violently took from him a Bag, in which was contain'd Four Guineas, and fifteen Shillings in Silver, amounting in the Whole to Four Pounds nineteen Shillings, and then made off towards Reading. In about Half an Hour after, the ſame Men met Paſſow Read, of Woodcut, Farmer, in the ſame Road, as he was returning from the ſaid Market, in the Pariſh of Caverſham, in the ſaid County, and there ſtopped him, and feloniouſly took out of his Pocket Two Guineas and Thirty-ſeven Sillings in Silver; the Whole amounting to Three Pounds nineteen Shillings, and then rode off towards Reading.

WHereas an Advertiſement was publiſhed in the London Gazette on the 4th Day of March laſt. That the Commiſſioners in the Commiſſion of Bankrupt awarded againſt William Bradley, late of Gedney, in the County of Lincoln, Chapman and Dealer in Wooll, intended to meet on the 16th of this Inſtant April, at the Houſe of Stephen Bell, called the Old White Hart in Spalding in the ſaid County, to make a Dividend of the ſaid Bankrupt's Eſtate; This gives Notice, that the ſaid Dividend is put off till Wedneſday the 30th Day of this Inſtant April, at Nine of the Clock in the Forenoon, at the Houſe of Stephen Bell in Spalding aforeſaid; when and where the Creditors, who have not already proved their Debts, are to come prepared to do the ſame, or they will be excluded the Benefit of the ſaid Dividend.

WHereas John Wilmer, of St. Mary Ax, London, Merchant, and Richard Kirk, of Haydon-yard, London, Merchant, are choſen Aſſignees of William Stubbs, of Rotherhithe, in the County of Surry, Ropemaker, a Bankrupt: This is to give Notice to all Perſons indebted to the ſaid Bankrupt or his Eſtate, or that have any Goods or Effects of his in their Hands, forthwith to pay and deliver the ſame to the ſaid Aſſignees, or they will be ſued without further Notice. And the Creditors of the ſaid Bankrupt are deſired to meet the ſaid Aſſignees on Wedneſday next, at Four o'Clock in the Afternoon, at the Ship Tavern behind the Royal Exchange, to conſider of and conſent to the ſaid Aſſignees compounding or ſubmitting any Difference or Diſputes to Arbitration; and on other ſpecial Affairs.

ALL Perſons indebted to the Eſtate of Lazarus Brandis, otherwiſe Brandes, late of Petticoat-Lane, London, Chapman, a Bankrupt, are hereby required by the Aſſignee of his Eſtate, forthwith to pay the Debts owing by them, to Mr. Edward Woodcock in Caſtle-yard, Holborn, or they will be ſued without further Notice.

THE Creditors of Frederick Voguell, late of London, Merchant, are deſired to meet the Aſſignee of the Commiſſion of Bankrupt againſt him, on Wedneſday the 16th of this Inſtant April, at Four o'Clock in the Afternoon, at the Pope's Head Tavern in Cornhill, on ſpecial Affairs relating to the ſaid Bankrupt's Eſtate.

THE Creditors of Francis Biſſart, late of London, Merchant, againſt whom a Commiſſion of Bankruptcy iſſued, are deſired to meet the Aſſignees of the ſaid Bankrupt's Eſtate, on Thurſday next, at Five of the Clock in the Afternoon, at Cole's Coffee-houſe in Birchin-Lane, London, to aſſent to or diſſent from the ſaid Aſſignees commencing a Suit in Equity touching the ſaid Bankrupt's Eſtate, and their compounding, agreeing and ſubmitting to Arbitration any Matter or Thing in Diſpute relating to the ſaid Bankrupt's Eſtate, and on other ſpecial Affairs.

THE Commiſſioners in a Commiſſion of Bankrupt awarded againſt John Eſſington, late of Wandſworth in Surry, Merchant, a Bankrupt, deceaſed, intend to meet on Thurſday the 17th Inſtant, at the Crown and Rolls Tavern, Chancery-Lane, at Ten o'Clock in the Forenoon, to proceed further on the Matters referred to them by an Order made by the Lord Chancellor the 13th of Auguſt laſt; at which Time the Creditors are to attend to conſider of ſeveral Matters then to be propoſed for the Benefit of the Bankrupt's Eſtate; and on other ſpecial Affairs.

WHereas a Commiſſion of Bankrupt is awarded and iſſued forth againſt James Dyer, late of the City of Briſtol, Warehouſeman, and he being declared a Bankrupt, is hereby required to ſurrender himſelf to the Commiſſioners in the ſaid Commiſſion named, or the major Part of them, on the 14th 17th and 19th of May next, at Ten of the Clock in the Forenoon on each of the ſaid Days, at the Houſe of Chriſtian Culverwell, being the Lamb Coffee-houſe in the Pariſh of Taunton St Mary Magdalene, in the County of Somerſet, and make a full Diſcovery and Diſcloſure of his Eſtate and Effects; when and where the Creditors are to come prepared to prove their Debts, and at the ſecond Sitting to chuſe Aſſignees, and at the laſt Sitting the ſaid Bankrupt is required to finiſh his Examination, and the Creditors are to aſſent to or diſſent from the Allowance of his Certificate. All Perſons indebted to the ſaid Bankrupt, or that have any of his Effects, are not to pay or deliver the ſame but to whom the Commiſſioners ſhall appoint, but give Notice to Mr. Roger Hoare, Attorney, in Taunton.

WHereas a Commiſſion of Bankrupt is awarded and iſſued forth againſt Edmund Drinkwater, of Bow-lane, London, Cylman and Chapman, and he being declared a Bankrupt, is hereby required to ſurrender himſelf to the Commiſſioners in the ſaid Commiſſion named, or the major Part of them, on the 19th and 22d of April Inſtant, at Three of the Clock in the Afternoon, and on the 24th of May next, at Ten in the Forenoon on each of the ſaid Days at Guildhall, London, and make a full Diſcovery and Diſcloſure of his Eſtate and Effects; when and where the Creditors are to come prepared to prove their Debts, and at the ſecond Sitting to chuſe Aſſignees, and at the laſt Sitting the ſaid Bankrupt is required to finiſh his Examination; and the Creditors are to aſſent to or diſſent from the Allowance of his Certificate. All Perſons indebted to the ſaid Bankrupt, or that have any of his Effects, are not to pay or deliver the ſame but to whom the Commiſſioners ſhall appoint, but give Notice to Mr. Richard Craycraft, Attorney, in Old Fiſh-ſtreet, London.

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